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Mr. Mark E. Fesmire, P.E.
Director
Oil Conservation Division
New Mexico Energy, Minerals and
Natural Resources Department
1220 South Saint Francis Drive
Santa Fe, New Mexico 87505

Re: Case No. 13527: Application of NorthStar Operating Company for approval of a unit agreement, Lea County, New Mexico.

Dear Mr. Fesmire:

NorthStar Operating Company, hereby requests that the Examiner Hearing in the above-referenced case that is currently scheduled for July 28, 2005, be continued to the August 11, 2005 Examiner Hearing Docket.

Your attention to this request is appreciated.

Very truly yours,

Ocean Muds Dry for

William F. Carr
of Holland & Hart LLP

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